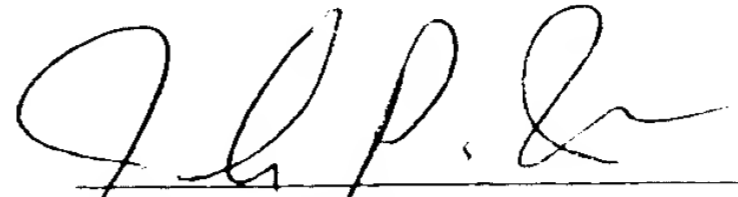


Applicants respectfully request examination on the merits of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pr1 5' -AATTCTAAAAC<sup>.</sup>TACAAACTGCCCCCCCCCA/T/G-3' (SEQ ID NO.: 24)

Pr2 5' -AATTCTAAAAC<sup>.</sup>TACAAACTGC-3' (sense) (SEQ ID NO.: 25)

Pr3 5' -CTCCCGGGTAGAAGTCAC-3' (reverse) (SEQ ID NO.: 26)

Pr4 5' -AATTCGTGTGGCCTTGTTGGCT-3' (reverse) (SEQ ID NO.: 27)